



Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

28th June 2010

To Whom It May Concern,

This is to advised that the proposed ammendments to the Biosecurity Act 2005 shall be considered in the upcoming review of the act.

12. Restriction on importation of regulated articles-

(1) No person shall import or introduce any regulated articles into Samoa:

- (a) Without a written permit of the Chief Executive Officer or an Authorised Officer; or
- (b) In contravention of any regulations or requirements or conditions made under the provisions of this Act.

(2) Every permit issued under the provisions of paragraph (1) (a) shall be subject to such requirements and conditions as may be specified therein or in any regulations made under the provisions of this Act and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing-

- (a) Requirements and conditions may be imposed which take effect after the importation or introduction of any regulated articles;
- (b) Requirements and conditions may be imposed requiring the payment of a deposit or entering into a bond, with or without sureties, for compliance with the requirements and conditions of any such permit;
- (c) Requirements and conditions may include a direction to spend whatever period of time in post entry quarantine which may be necessary for determining that the regulated articles are free from pests and diseases.
- (d) [The Chief Executive Officer will ensure all requirements and conditions relating to regulated articles are published on the website of the Ministry.](#)

(3) Any permit issued under the provisions of this Act or of any regulations may be general or may relate to a specified importation.

(4) Any permit issued under the provisions of this Act or of any regulations may be revoked or varied at any time by the Chief Executive Officer or by an Authorised Officer having regard to any change in the biosecurity risk to Samoa.

(5) If a decision is taken to refuse the issue of a permit the applicant must be advised in writing of that decision.

(6) Any regulated articles brought into Samoa in contravention of any of the provisions of this section shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of section 25.

(7) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section commits an offence.

Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer
Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries